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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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URGING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO INCLUDE EDUCATION IN MORE  
SUBJECT AREAS IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

1 WHEREAS, a full and well-rounded education better prepares  
2 a student for future opportunities in the workforce and  
3 community; and  
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5 WHEREAS, a full and well-rounded education includes art,  
6 music, physical fitness, financial literacy, civics, community  
7 service, job preparation and entrepreneurship opportunities,  
8 cultural appreciation, family caregiving, and parenting skills;  
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11 WHEREAS, physical education offers children knowledge on  
12 maintaining a healthy lifestyle and the opportunity to develop  
13 healthy eating habits, release energy and stress, and learn  
14 various exercise or sports techniques; and  
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16 WHEREAS, education in the arts and music can have  
17 significant impacts on child development, including improved  
18 motor skills development, language development, decision making  
19 skills, visual learning, inventiveness, and cultural awareness;  
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22 WHEREAS, community service experiences have the potential  
23 to enrich classroom learning, demonstrate the relevance and  
24 importance of academic work to life experiences and career  
25 choices, increase awareness of social issues, improve  
26 interpersonal skills, and develop civic responsibility; and  
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28 WHEREAS, an education that includes financial literacy,  
29 civics, and life skills helps students acquire and practice some  
30 of the basic skills they will need as they mature into young  
31 adults; and  
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WHEREAS, despite the benefits that education in these subject areas offer, many of these courses are not offered in all public schools in the State; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2015, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Board of Education is urged to include education in art, music, physical fitness, financial literacy, civics, community service, job preparation and entrepreneurship opportunities, cultural appreciation, family caregiving, and parenting skills in all public schools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of Education and the Superintendent of Education.

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